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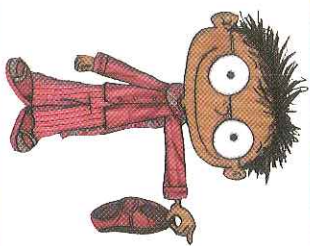
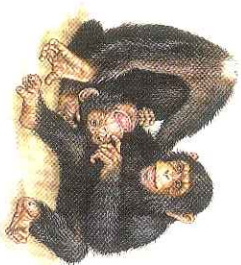
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AR	Accelerated Reader	EW	Entertainment Weekly	RI	Reading Instruction Journal (N.J. Reading Association)
AECM	Albert Einstein College of Medicine	FD	First Draft	RS	Rethinking Schools
ATN	All Together Now	H	Horn Book	SL	School Librarian
ATU	Albany Times Union	HG	Horn Book Guide	SLJ	School Library Journal
AP	Associated Press Syndicated Review	HR	Heartland Reviews	SLOT	San Luis Obispo Tribune
BAP	Big Apple Parent	IBBY	IBBY permanent traveling book exhibitions	SM	Special Magazine
BCCB	Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books	IRA	International Reading Association "Notable Book"	TB	Today's Books
BF	Shortlisted for the Benjamin Franklin Awards	IRA/CC	Children's Choices, joint project of the International Reading Association (IRA) and the Children's Book Council	TFC	Teaching for Change
BH	Boston Herald	JBW	Jewish Book World	TS	Featured on the <i>Today Show</i>
BKJK	Booklinks-Best New Books for the Classroom	JE	Junior Education	TONYK	Time Out New York Kids
BKST	Bank Street College Books of the Year, Child Study Association	JLG	Junior Literary Guild	TTR	Top of Texas Review Center at Midwestern State University
BL	Booklist (ALA)	JMW/H	Journal of Midwifery & Women's Health	TUSD	Tucson Unified School District (At-Large Newsletter)
BM	Scholastic Best Bets Bulletin, "Book of the Month"	K	Kirkus Reviews	V	VOYA
BN	"Book Notes," Center for Children's and Young Adult Books	LA	Language Arts (NCTE)	WC	Wilson's Children's Catalog
BTL	A <i>Between the Lions</i> Selection	LAT	Los Angeles Times	WP	<i>Book World</i> , Washington Post
BV	Bookviews	LM	Learning Magazine	YBR	Yellow Brick Road Newsletter
CBP	Children's Book & Play Review	MBR	Midwest Book Review	YC	"The Reading Chair" Young Children (Journal of NAEYC)
CBRS	Children's Book Review Service	MC	Children's Literature		
CC	Creative Classroom, Children's Television Workshop	MR	Mothering Magazine		
CD	Children's Disabilities	MS	Multicultural Review		
CE	Journal of the Association of Childhood Education International	NCSS	The Missoulain		
CF	Cat Fancy	ND	Notable Social Studies Trade Books For Young People		
CLA	Catholic Library World	NSS	Newsday		
CP	Chicago Parent	NYTPG	National Speleological Society News		
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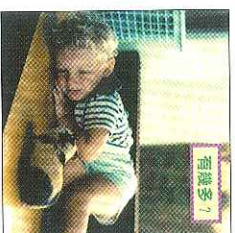
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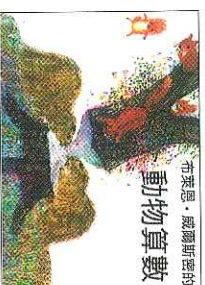
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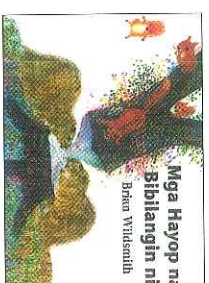
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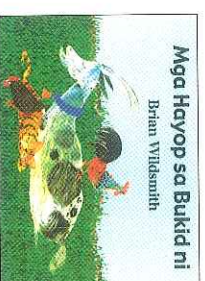
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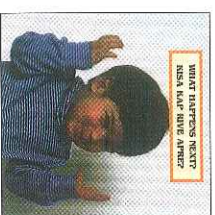
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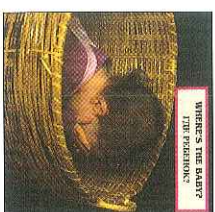
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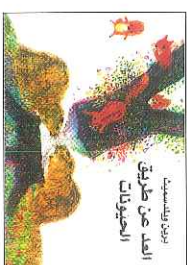
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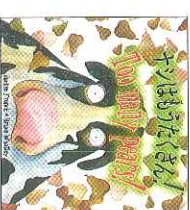


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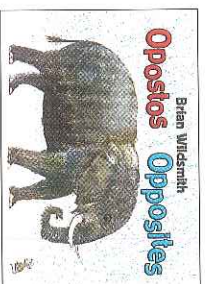
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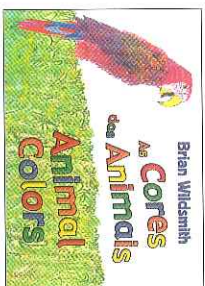


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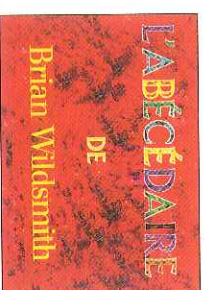
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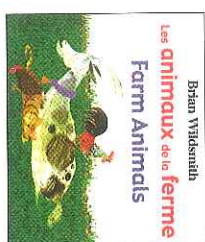
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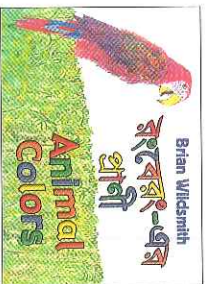


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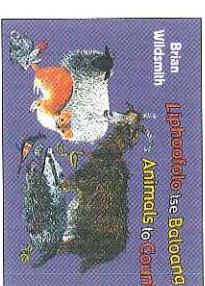
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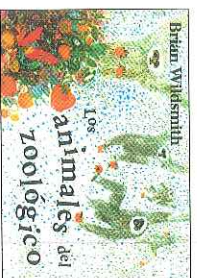
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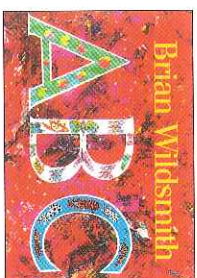
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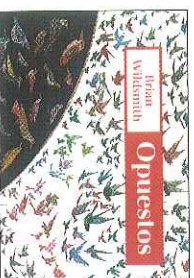
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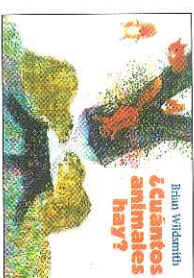
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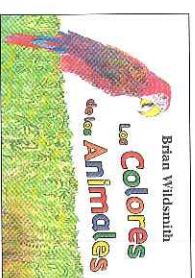
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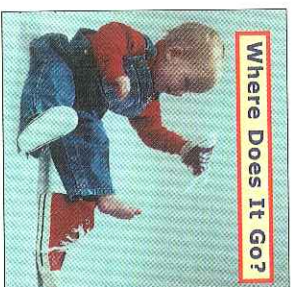


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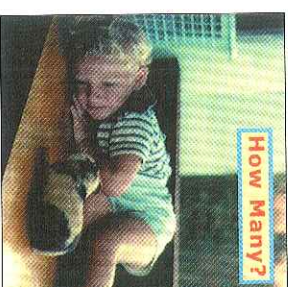
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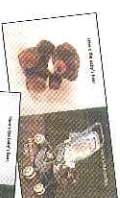


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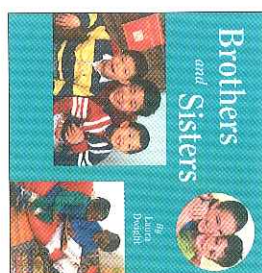
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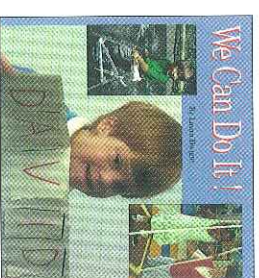


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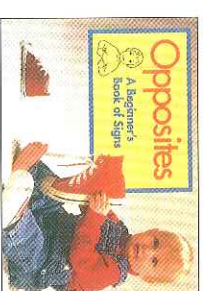


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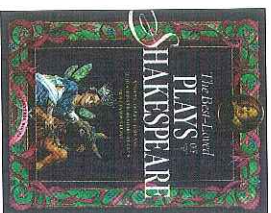
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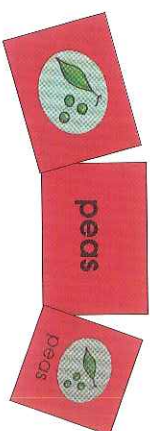


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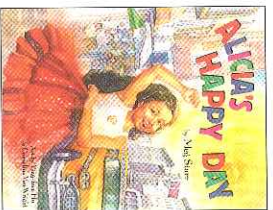
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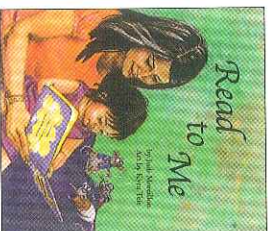
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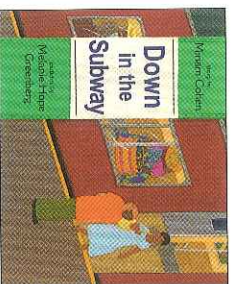
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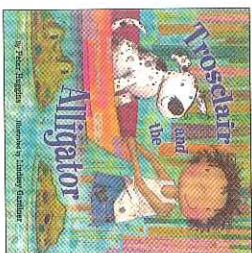
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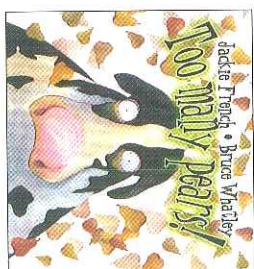
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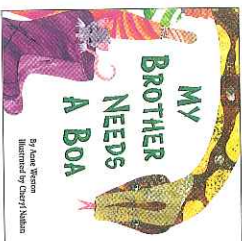
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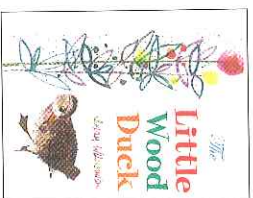
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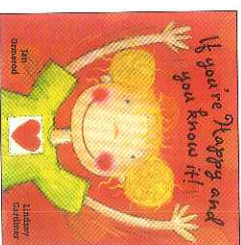
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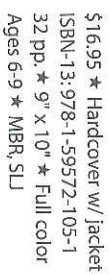
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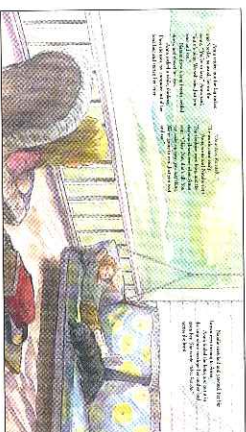




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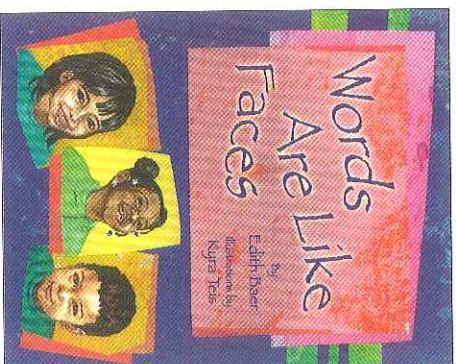
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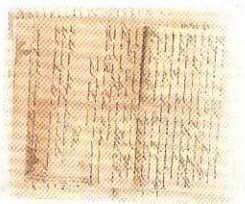
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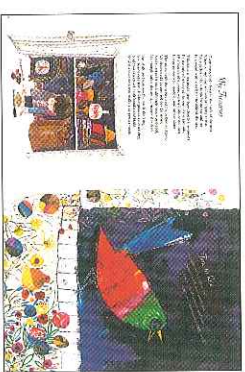


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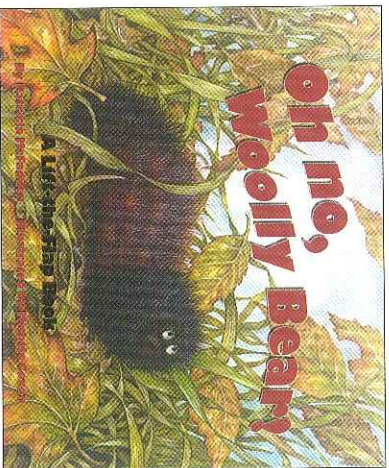


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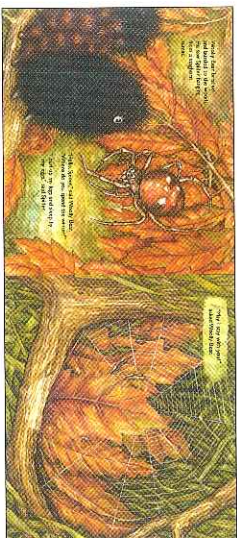
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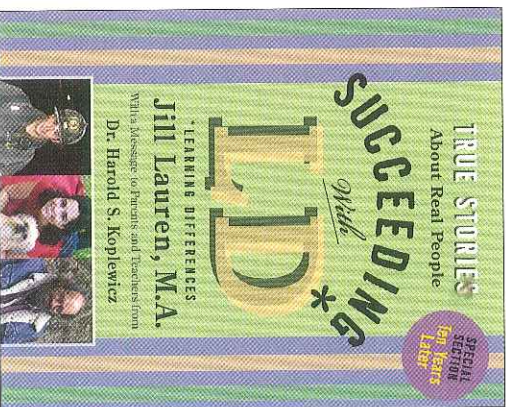
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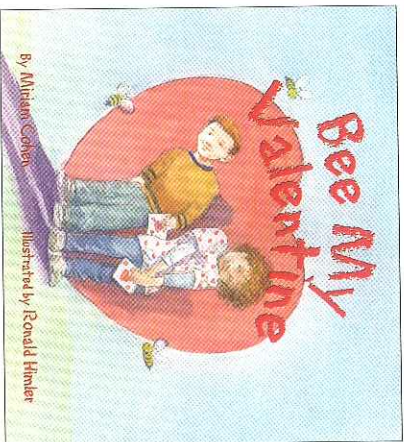


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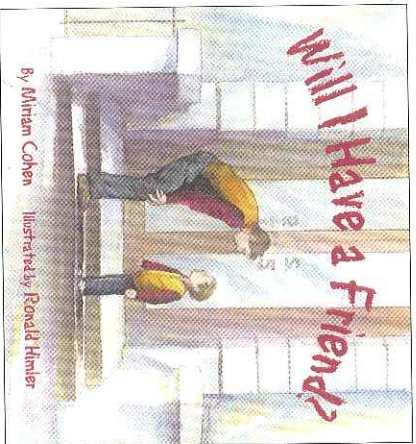
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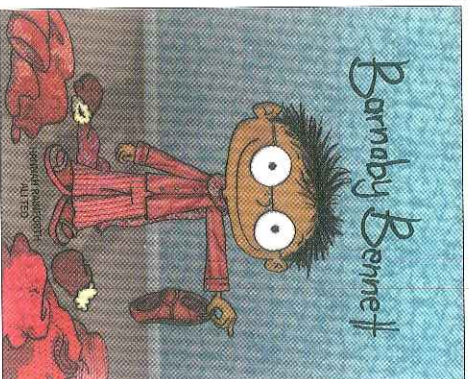
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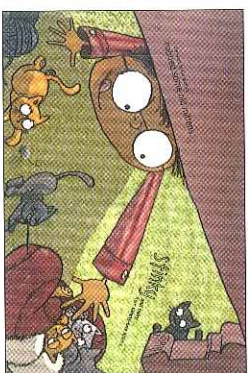
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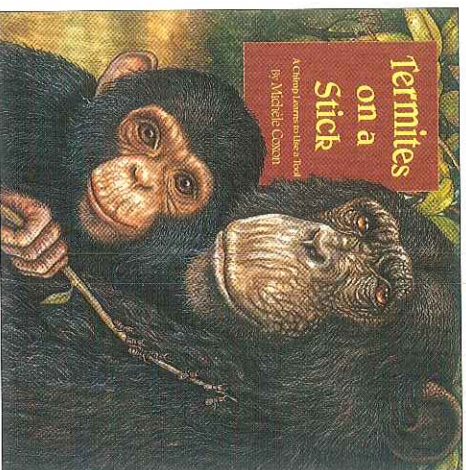


**Hannah Rainforth** is a writer and Maori translator who lives in New Zealand.

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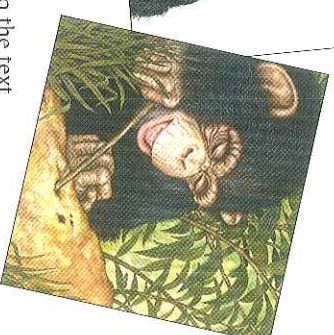


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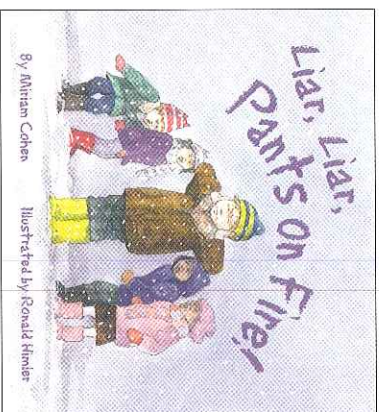
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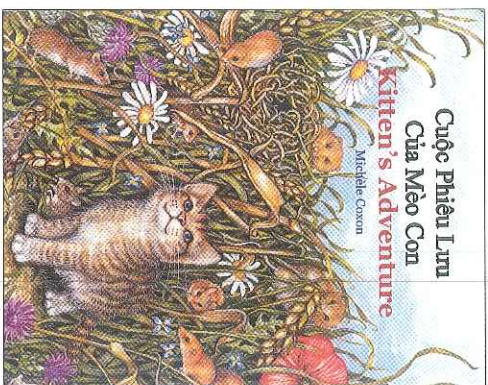
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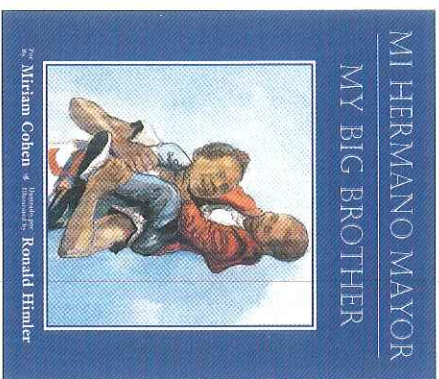


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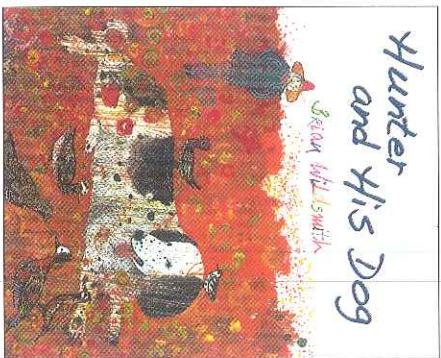


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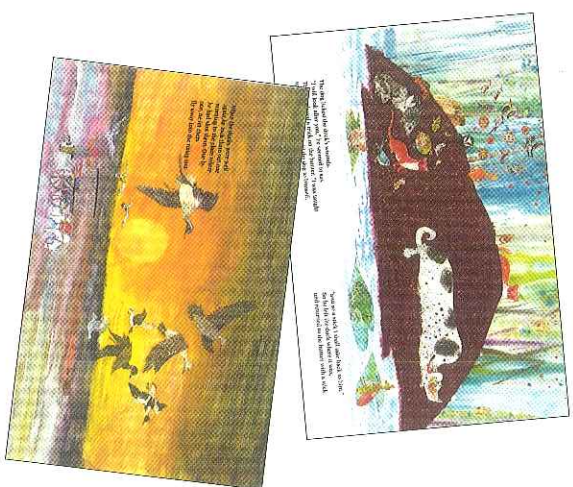


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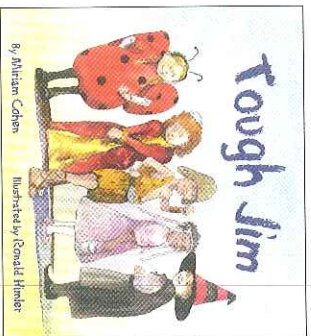
Once upon a time, the animals and birds lived happily in a beautiful forest that provided for all their needs. Sadly, pollution begins to destroy their shelter and food supply, and their future looks bleak. Fortunately, Wise Owl leads the animals to Professor Noah who is building a spaceship. The kind professor invites the animals to blast-off with him to another planet in order to escape the destruction of the forest. After traveling for forty days and forty nights, the time guidance system is accidentally twisted in reverse and the space travelers end up back on Earth in a pristine forest just after Noah's famous biblical flood. This reissue of Brian Wildsmith's still timely story speaks to the need for 21st-century environmental protection and preservation.



**Brian Wildsmith** has deservedly won a reputation as one of the greatest living children's illustrators. Raised in England, he studied at the Slade School of Fine Art. In 1962, he published his first children's book, ABC, for which he was awarded the Kate Greenaway Medal, Britain's highest honor in the field.

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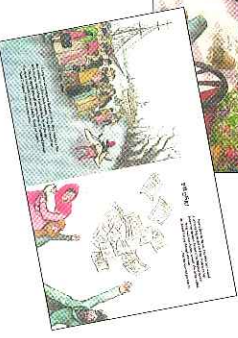
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**Linda Stanek** graduated from Ohio State University with a degree in Early and Middle Childhood Education. She frequently visits schools and lives in Ohio.

**Lauren Castillo's** upbringing in a multicultural family exposed her to a potpourri of cultural traditions throughout her childhood. She earned a Masters degree at the School of Visual Arts in New York and continues to be inspired by the ethnic diversity of New York City.

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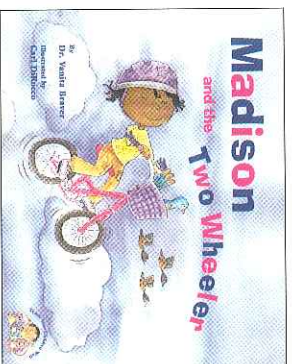
Confident that her President's Day scrapbook will win the first prize trophy and a free pizza, Madison is distressed when classmate Jonathan wins the prize. With wise counsel and consolation from her parents and Courage, her toy lion, she does the right thing and congratulates Jonathan on his success. This story highlights an important lesson: trying your best is what truly counts.



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**Vanita Braver, M.D.** is a renowned child psychiatrist, a best-selling author, a keynote speaker at national conferences, and a frequent lecturer at hospitals, schools, libraries, and community centers. She lives in New Jersey.

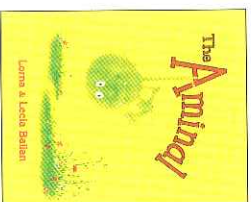
**Carl DiRocco** is a graduate of the New England School of Art & Design. A graphic designer by day, an illustrator by night, and a father 'round-the-clock, he lives in Massachusetts.

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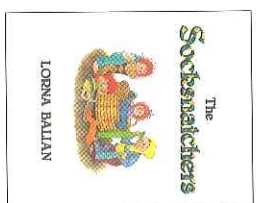


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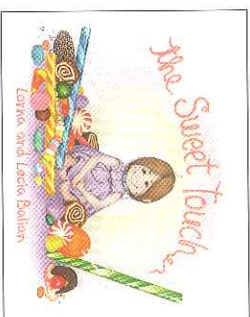




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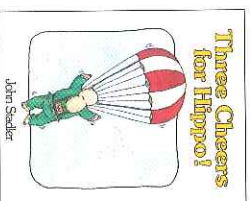
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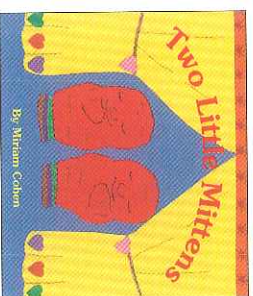
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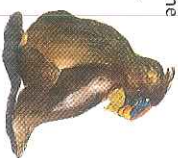
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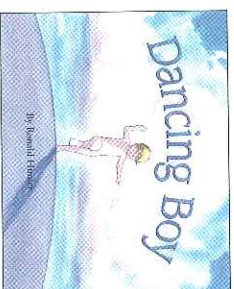
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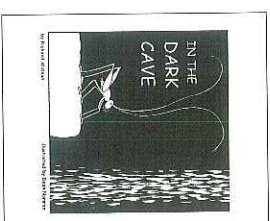
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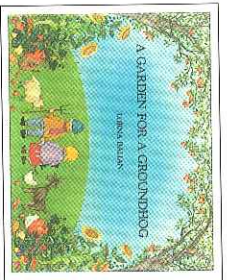
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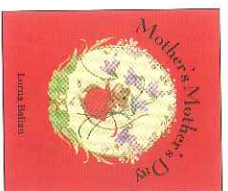


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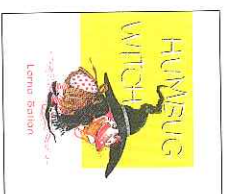


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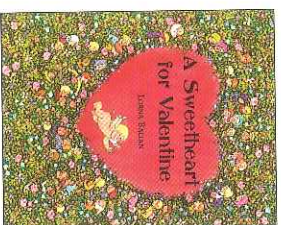
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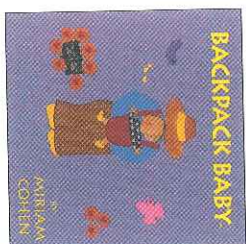


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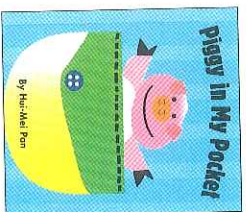


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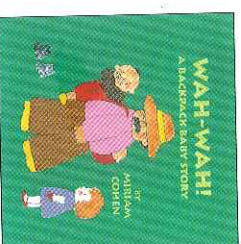
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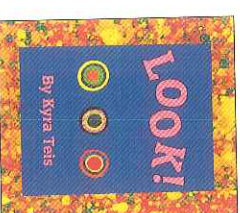


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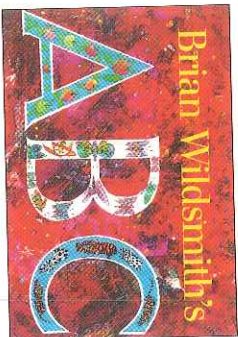
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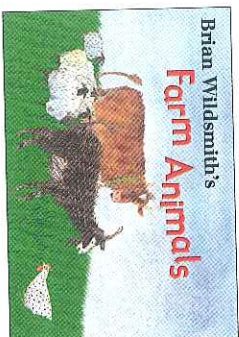
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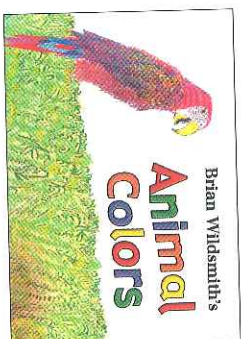
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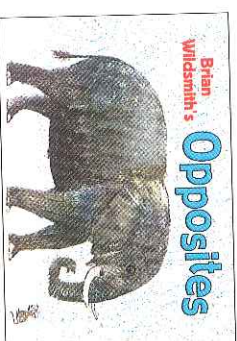
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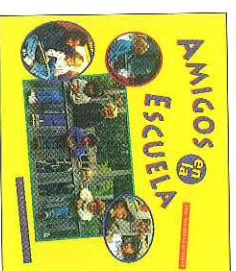
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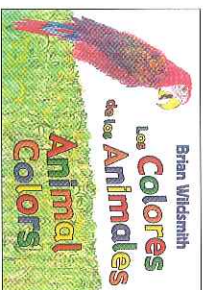
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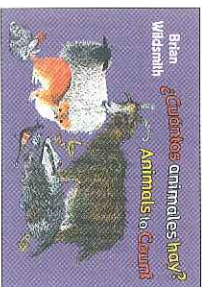
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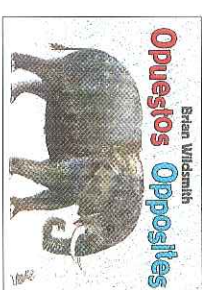
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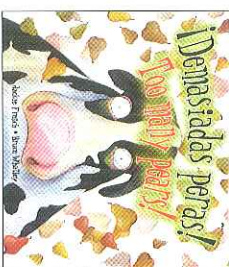
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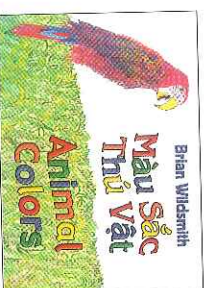
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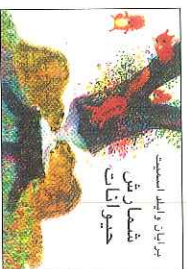
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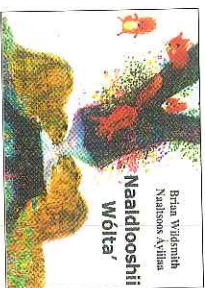
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